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Title: CERVICAL TAPERED DOWEL

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**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231  
Attention: Box Missing Parts

Sir:

This is in response to a Notice to File Missing Parts of Application under 37 CFR 1.53(f). Enclosed is a copy of said Notice and the following documents and fees to complete the filing requirements of the above-identified application.

(X) Executed Declaration and Power of Attorney. The above-identified application is the same application which the inventor executed by signing the enclosed declaration.

(X) Statutory basic filing fee of \$355.00 (X)Utility ( ) Design

( ) Additional claim fees of \$98.00.  
(\$18.00 for 2 total claims over 20 and \$80.00 for 2 independent claims over 3)

(X) Missing Parts Surcharge of \$65.00.

( ) A Petition for Extension of Time for reply to Notice of Missing Parts is attached.  
( ) one month = \$110.00  
( ) two months = \$390.00  
( ) three months = \$890.00  
( ) four months = \$1,390.00

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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

## Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.  
*Applicant must submit \$ 355 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).*
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$98.
  - \$18 for 2 total claims over 20.
  - \$80 for 2 independent claims over 3.
- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 518.

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02 FC:205	65.00 OP
03 FC:202	80.00 OP
04 FC:203	18.00 OP

A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.

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